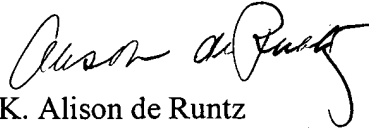


REMARKS

The Examiner has required an election of one species from species he identifies as “[c]olumns having at least one photopolymer frit” and “[c]olumns having separation medium being formed of a photopolymer.” The former species is hereby elected with traverse on the grounds that it is not believed that a search and examination of all species would pose a serious burden. Claims 1-10 are readable on the species elected with traverse.

In view of the foregoing, reconsideration of the election requirement is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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